American Dahlia Society

Seedling Evaluation Scorecard for **Open-Centered** Cultivars

Date	Time	Location		Number of	f Plants	_ Cultivar ID	
Form	_ Color: Ra	Ray Floret ADS Color Chips		/	SECONDARY	/	
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Color: Petaloids/AN dome/OR ray floret face/eye zone / / / / / / / / / / / / / / / / /							tertiary
 Determine cultivar classification as a team if possible. Identify faults of blooms at arm's length and, if possible, judge early or late in the day. Do not include blooms past their prime when determining faults in the trial garden; do include as many blooms as possible (6 to 8, if possible). See the back of this sheet for fault recommendations. Circle the faults identified. Consider both the severity and extent of the fault when you determine the deduction. Use the DNS section of the scorecard for entries that are clearly not worthy. Use decimals – not fractions. 							
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Form Diameter	30 points — if no faults are detected. Check bloom for gaps, asymmetrical contour, adherence to the current ideal definition, and ray florets that are not uniform or not planar. Anemones should have well-developed domes or tubular disc florets. Peonies should have 5 or fewer rows of ray florets that do not reflex toward the stem.						
Color	20 points — if no faults are detected. Look for color that is not dull, blotchy, streaked, or faded. Bleeding is a fault in bicolors and variegated blooms. Uneven distribution of the second color is a fault for all the cultivars with two or more colors.						
Score for top half. Guides: 44-50 = should score; 42.5 to 43.5 = try to score;							
41-42 = strong bottom scores needed to score; 40.5 and below = unlikely to score							
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Substance	10 points — if no faults are detected. Look for soft ray florets that lack springiness. Other faults include shriveled, misshapen, and falling florets.						
Stem	10 points — if no faults are detected. Check for stems that are crooked, too long, too short,						
Length	too thick, too thin, or enter the bloom off center.						
Foliage	10 points — if no faults are detected. Look for leaves that are too small or too large for the						
bloom. Ideally leaves are identical and opposite each other on the stem.							
BIOOIII POSITIOII	om Position 10 points — if no faults are detected. Downfacing blooms are a serious fault. Side facing blooms are less serious. 45° is preferred for most forms.						
Uniformity	10 points — if no faults detected. Score uniformity on bench; floriferousness in trial garden. In ADS bench evaluation, check blooms for uniformity of form, color, size as well as for each of the other evaluation characteristics.						
(Bench)							
OR							
Floriferousness (Trial Gardens)	In trial gardens , score for floriferousness : Very few blooms or blooms too late for local shows are serious faults.						
Score for bottom half.							
Judge's Printed Name Judge's Signature							
Check One: ☐ Candidate Judge ☐ Accredited Judge ☐ Senior Judge ☐ Honorary Judge							
Note: Only one judge per scoresheet. Each judge must use a separate scoresheet.							
Entry Not Worthy: It is occasionally necessary to judge an entry that will clearly not score above 80. In such an instance, please circle or underline the reason(s) for that conclusion: Consistently malformed centers, too few ray florets, highly nonuniform color, many wolf florets (color or form), consistently downfacing, stunted plants, very poor stems, very poor proportion, very poor color. Additional scoring is not necessary. Circle DNS at right.							
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